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Overview

- Depolarization mechanisms from a charged beam: 2012 eHD tests in Hall B
- eHD at the Upgraded Injector Test Facility (UITF)
- Relating running at eHD at UITF to running in CLAS-12
- Achieving transverse polarization inside CLAS-12
 Solenoid with a perfect diamagnet (MgB₂)





What is HDice?

- A frozen spin target \longrightarrow no need for large magnet.
- Target material consists solely of polarizable protons and deuterons
 —> no dilution factor coming from the target material.
- Target material possesses a T1 (relaxation time) on the order of years.
- A very complicated target system requiring many steps in the production of a single polarized target cell.







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C1 → scheduling requires successful demonstration of viable performance in a subsequent eHD test runs





Why use HDice?

- These proposals require transversely polarized target.
- A conventional target with transverse polarization requires use of "large" magnet around target (DNP)
 - A magnetic field transverse to beam axis bends beam into detectors (sheet of flame).
- Maintaining a transverse field inside of CLAS-12 Solenoid can be possible using MgB₂ cylinder inside of IBC.





- During g14, several eHD runs were conducted opportunistically to study the effect of an electron beam on the HDice target.
- eHD test utilized existing Hall B Slow-Raster and target cell designed for photons (a setup not optimized for an electron beam).
- Results showed a significant loss of polarization due to the electron beam (1/e ≈ 1/2 nA-day) → Focus of current R&D effort

- Depolarization attributed to three possible mechanisms:
- 1) Beam-induced chemical changes
 - HD molecule ionizes and becomes highly reactive (HD⁺)
 - A chain of reactions begins, producing atomic hydrogen:
 - ➔ Temperature spikes occur from "recombination flashes"
 - Also seen in g14 photon runs (from e⁺ e⁻ pairs) with low frequently but with no apparent effect.
 - Possible buildup of ortho-H₂ which could shorten T1 of material
 - Analysis of gas after 1nA-week in beam showed no large increase of ortho-H₂ (measurements had limited sensitivity)

- Depolarization attributed to three possible mechanisms:
- 2) Hyperfine mixing of unpaired electrons with H (or D) spins
 - Electrons polarized by holding field possess spins opposite to H
 - Hyperfine mixing dilutes H polarization
 - Depolarization first occurs locally, depolarization spreads
 - Temperature independent (function of B⁻²)

Solution:

Use RF to align H (or D) spins with electron spins to prevent this mixing.

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Suppress this effect through higher electron polarization (mitigation of beam heating).

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Pencil beam into IBC at 10 GeV

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..... a closer view

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Pencil beam offset 14 mm at launch

⇔ 13.6 mm offset at Radiation Baffle, from solenoid edge focusing ≈ maximum offset Focused to 10mm at HD

Reduce target radius: 12.5 mm → 9.5 mm [CLAS-12] [UITF]

0.9 tesla main solenoid

Radiation Baffle

max radial opening = 14.3 mm

(UITF) Uniform rastered beam into IBC

Rastered 10 GeV beam profiles CLAS-12 target

Entries 3129997

70C

60C 50C 40C

30C 20C

100

Entries 249740

Target radius = 12.5 mm Target length = 25 mm

 solenoid focusing and multiple scattering are both irrelevant

 beam uniformly illuminates the full target cell

Expected heat load from 10 GeV on a CLAS-12 target

- Depolarization mechanism: beam ionizes HD, breaking paired 1s electrons
- HD temp depends on deposited beam power and temp of Cu heat sink (cooling power of IBC refrigerator)

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- HD cell for CLAS-12: 25 mm Ø x 25 mm L 1800 x 3 mil Ø Al (5N) wires
- NEW holding field = 1.25 T

T_{HD} max P_{e} Q_{HD} I_{e} 0.99831 2 nA 2.6 mW

245 mK 0.99993 1 nA 1.3 mW 168 mK 🔨 HD 0.30

[emperature [K]

- **UITF** HD cell
- g14 IBC with 0.9 T holding field
- add heat to refrigerator to bring Cu heat sink up to 10 GeV conditions

 \sim same P_e as 10 GeV and 1.25 T

For Reference: Flipping, unpaired electron during 2012 eHD test

Preparing for eHD: Cave 1

Preparing for eHD: Cave 2

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Maintaining a Transverse holding Field within the CLAS-12 Solenoid

- Need to cancel the field of the CLAS-12 Solenoid
- Wound electromagnet:
 - Very difficult to build (uniformity)
 - Must exactly oppose the field of CLAS-12 Solenoid
 - Vulnerable to quenches, other failures (is active device)
 - High <Z>
- Magnesium diBoride (MgB₂)
 - High T_c , superconducting material
 - Can be fabricated into a shell around HD
 - Is a passive device
 - Can provide a uniform internal field
 - <Z> ≈ 7 (minimal dE/dx)

How would MgB₂ be used? (Trapping a Transverse Field)

- Ramp up 1.25 T external magnet (transverse field) around nose of IBC
- Cool MgB₂ inside of IBC to 4 K ($T_c = 39$ K)
- Load polarized HD cell into IBC
- Lower external field
- The perfect diamagnetism of MgB₂ allows for the spontaneous generation of currents, maintaining the original internal field

How would MgB₂ be used? (Cancelling the CLAS-12 Solenoid Field)

- IBC rotated into horizontal position and moved into CLAS-12
- CLAS-12 Solenoid ramped up
 → currents again arise in MgB₂, maintaining original (transverse) field
- These complex currents can/will be much more intricate than could be achieved with an electromagnet

Summary of Prototype Tests in Ferrara

- Repeatable results indicate that MgB₂ shell can trap a transverse field of ≈1 Tesla.
- MgB₂ can maintain this internal field for weeks with negligible droop (0.0015 T over 1 month)
- MgB₂ shell can survive magnet quenches
 - Subjected to several quenches (flux jumps)
 - MgB₂ survived with no change in performance

MgB₂ shell held in 14 K cryocooler between poles of a 1 tesla dipole

MgB₂ prototype: 40 mm Ø 86 mm long 2 mm wall

Summary

- HDice has been successfully used in the past with photon beams but its future lies in its use with electrons (eHD).
 - Three "high impact" proposals to use HDice with electrons in CLAS-12.
- Charged particle beams present a new challenge for HDice
 - Focus of current efforts
 - UITF eHD tests will allow for a study of the effects of an electron beam on the target as well as how to abate them.
- Cancelling the CLAS-12 Solenoid may be accomplished using a MgB₂ shell.
 - Second test of MgB₂ prototype: trapping a transverse dipole field <u>and</u> cancelling external solenoid field

END

Rastered beam profiles on 25 mm long target

Rastered beam profiles on 12.5 mm long target

eHD Luminosity

 \mathcal{L} [cm⁻² s⁻¹] = dN/dt [s⁻¹ in a perfect detector] • 1/ σ_T [cm⁻²]

=
$$(0.2 \times 10^{33}) \bullet T_{HD}(cm) \bullet I_{e}(nA)$$

for 2.5 cm long cell and $I_e = 2 \text{ nA} \rightarrow 10^{33}$

Dice Room for future improvements in Al thermal conductivity

HDice data: (•••)

UITF vs Hall B

<u>UITF</u>

 $E_e = 7.86 \text{ MeV}$ Beam diameter = 17 mm, with tails (maximum size) HD diameter = 19 mm (1 mm clearance at 3 σ) HD length = 12.5 mm (max for quasi-uniform pwr)

<u>Hall B</u>

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